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I'm a hundred years old today. Mine has been a full life. And most of it has been lived...

IN OTHER PEOPLES' HOMES

DEPOSITORY

THERE WERE NO VACUUM CLEANERS IN THOSE DAYS, NO WASHING MACHINES. BUT MY MOTHER'S HEALTH WAS ALL I WISHED FOR.

YOU'RE A GOOD GIRL, JANE. WHEN YOUR FATHER GETS BACK, I'LL TELL HIM WHAT A HELP YOU'VE BEEN.

BUT WHEN HE CAME...

THE DOCTOR SAYS SHE'S TO STAY IN BED ALL THE TIME NOW.

THINGS WILL CHANGE FOR THE BETTER SOON. YOU'LL SEE.

THINGS CHANGED, BUT NOT FOR THE BETTER...

IT'S JUST THE TWO OF US NOW, JANE.

IT WASN'T THE TWO OF US FOR VERY LONG. THE SEA TOOK MY FATHER...AND THEN I WAS ALL ALONE.

BUT MY TEARS DRIED. AND I WENT ON LIVING, AS PEOPLE ALWAYS DO. ONLY NOW I BEGAN TO LIVE IN OTHER PEOPLES' HOMES...I CAN STILL REMEMBER THE PEARSONS. THEY WERE ALL A YOUNG HIRED GIRL COULD HAVE WISHED FOR. SO KIND AND SO CONSIDERATE...

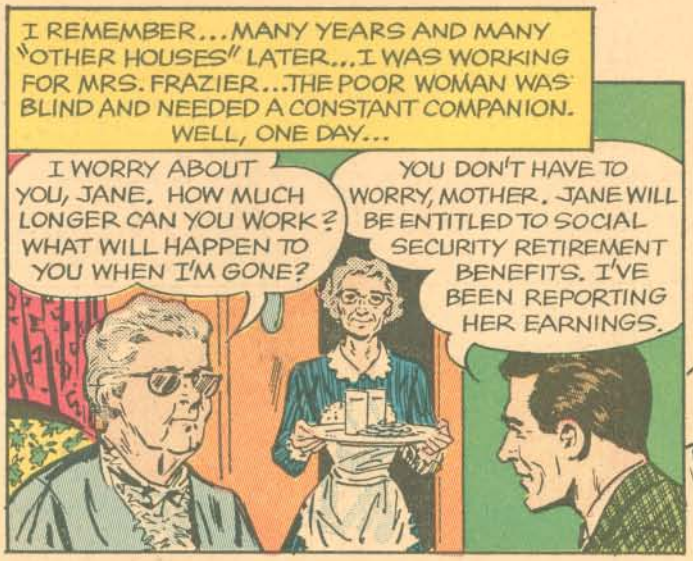
DON'T FORGET, JANE. WE'RE GOING TO THE FAIR AFTER DINNER.

I'LL BE READY, DOCTOR.

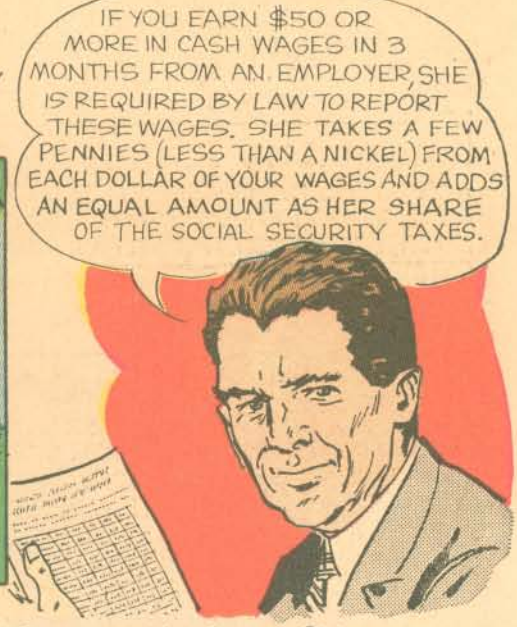
I NEVER DID HAVE CHILDREN OF MY OWN, BUT I DID RAISE TWO ORPHANS.

GOLLY, AUNT JANE, HOW CAN I EVER THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU'VE DONE FOR MISSY AND ME?

WHAT ABOUT ME THANKING **YOU** FOR ALL THE JOY YOU'VE BROUGHT INTO MY LIFE? WATCHING BOTH OF YOU GROW UP HAS BEEN LIKE A WISH COME TRUE.



PEOPLE SAY THAT I'M TOO OLD FOR WORK NOW. MAYBE I AM, MAYBE I'M NOT... BUT I NEEDN'T EVER PUT MY STRENGTH TO TEST. WHAT WITH THE BIT I MANAGED TO PUT ASIDE, AND THE SOCIAL SECURITY CHECK THAT COMES ABOUT THE 4TH OF EACH MONTH... I GET ALONG JUST FINE.



Examples of monthly social security benefits:

AVERAGE YEARLY EARNINGS AFTER 1950	$800 OR LESS	$1,200	$1,800	$2,400	$3,000	$3,600	$4,200	$4,800
RETIREMENT AT 65 OR LATER ..... DISABILITY BENEFITS	$40.00	$59.00	$73.00	$84.00	$95.00	$105.00	$116.00	$127.00*
RETIREMENT AT 62	32.00	47.20	58.40	67.20	76.00	84.00	92.80	101.60*
RETIREMENT AT 63	34.70	51.20	63.30	72.80	82.40	91.00	100.60	110.10*
RETIREMENT AT 64	37.40	55.10	68.20	78.40	88.70	98.00	108.30	118.60*
ONE SURVIVING CHILD	40.00	44.30	54.80	63.00	71.30	78.80	87.00	95.30*
TWO SURVIVING CHILDREN	60.00	88.50	109.60	126.00	142.60	157.60	174.00	190.60*
MAXIMUM FAMILY PAYMENT	60.00	88.50	120.00	161.60	202.40	240.00	254.00	254.00
LUMP-SUM DEATH PAYMENT	120.00	177.00	219.00	252.00	255.00	255.00	255.00	255.00

BECAUSE EARNINGS OF $4,800 CANNOT BE CREDITED FOR ANY YEAR BEFORE 1959, BENEFITS MARKED (*) WILL NOT GENERALLY BE PAYABLE FOR A FEW YEARS TO COME.

Domestic Workers WHO ARE PAID $50 IN CASH WAGES IN 3 MONTHS BY AN EMPLOYER

EARN SOCIAL SECURITY...

RETIREMENT BENEFITS:

YOU JUST READ MY STORY. SO REMEMBER ... IF YOU'RE A MAID, COOK, LAUNDRESS, OR CHAUFFEUR OR A GARDENER... IF YOU HAVE JUST ONE JOB, OR IF YOU WORK PART-TIME ON SEVERAL... MAKE SURE YOUR EARNINGS ARE REPORTED FOR SOCIAL SECURITY. FIND OUT NOW ABOUT YOUR RETIREMENT BENEFITS.

DISABILITY BENEFITS:

MY NAME IS HENRY SMITH AND I'M A GARDENER. AT FIRST I DIDN'T THINK TOO MUCH OF ALL THIS DEDUCTING AND REPORTING. BUT THEN I WAS IN A CAR ACCIDENT... WITHOUT MY SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY BENEFITS, I JUST COULDN'T MANAGE.

SURVIVORS BENEFITS:

I'M STEVIE JOHNSON, AND THIS IS MY SISTER IDA. OUR MOM USED TO WORK AS A BABY-SITTER BEFORE SHE DIED. MOM ALWAYS MADE SURE TO GET SOCIAL SECURITY CREDIT. NOW WE GET A SOCIAL SECURITY CHECK EVERY MONTH.

THERE MAY BE INFORMATION ABOUT BENEFITS THAT **YOU** DON'T KNOW. THE PLACE TO FIND OUT IS AT YOUR NEAREST **SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICE!**

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